

THINKS HE KNOWS HOTEL SUICIDE.

Pawnbroker Skoro of Evansville, Ind., Says the Dead Man Is Lee Maxey.

IDENTIFIES HIS PICTURE.

He Declares Maxey Left Evansville But a Few Weeks Ago, Saying He Was Going to St. Louis.

A special dispatch to The Republic from Evansville indicates that the Lindell Hotel suicide was Lee Maxey.

The dispatch reads as follows: "Phillip Skoro, a pawnbroker of Evansville, saw a picture of the suicide in a St. Louis paper and is sure the man is Lee Maxey."

"Six months ago a man giving his name as Lee Maxey came here and obtained employment of Skoro. He remained with him a few weeks, when he went to Alabama."

"From that State he went to Texas, and four weeks ago he returned here and remained here several days and left, saying he was going to St. Louis. Where he had the photograph in the St. Louis paper."

"Maxey lived some place in Illinois, but Skoro cannot remember the name of the town. Maxey was an auctioneer and made a good impression while here."

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"Mrs. A. Shaw of No. 642 1/2 Broadway viewed the body of the Lindell Hotel suicide at the morgue yesterday afternoon. She said the body bore a marked resemblance to Joseph Veeres, a former traveling salesman for the Brown Shoe Company, who lived in Allentown, Ky. Veeres, she said, used to call on her daughter about four years ago."

"It was ascertained at the Brown shoe factory that Veeres had not been with the concern for three years. When he left St. Louis he went to California."

JET BUTTONS MADE OF GLASS.

American Manufacturers at Last Break Into Old World Field.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, June 3.—They are making "jet buttons" in America, and making them of glass.

Until recently nearly all of them came from Bohemia, but now American manufacturers are able to compete with the foreign trade. The process used is a secret, but the buttons are made of glass, from which the buttons are made. These rods are round, about four feet long and three-quarters of an inch thick. The surface of the rods is covered with a fine sand, which is blown on by a fan. The rods are then heated in a furnace, and the sand is blown off, leaving a smooth surface. The rods are then cut into pieces, and the pieces are polished. The finished buttons are then packed in boxes, and are ready for export.

With a little steel rod held in one hand the buttonmaker picks the now molten mass of glass from the furnace, and blows it into the shape of the die and the button falls through a hole two feet long into a pan.

A feature of the pressing of the buttons is that an eyelid is pressed into the button at the same time, it having previously been placed in the die. The surface of the button is cold water, and then the rough edges from the molds are cut off by boys with shears. From the surface of the buttons the edges—girls whose work consists in giving the buttons a finish with emery wheels.

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One hundred gross of buttons can be made on one press in a day. The eyelids are made of brass, which is run from a spool on to a small revolving rod. When taken off it has the appearance of a long coil spring. It is placed in an inclined mechanism and is turned by a hand wheel. The button is then cut into many small pieces as there are turns in the wire.

CHICKEN EVERY DAY.

Queer Will of Hotel Owner Is Yet Strictly Observed.

Weston, W. Va., June 2.—Mittie Bailey, who built the Bailey House here more than thirty years ago, stipulated in his will that whoever should keep the hotel after his death must serve a chicken every day for dinner. Edwin Tunstall, his son-in-law, was his first successor.

He began to feed his guests with chicken, never missing a dinner, until his death. His son, Stokes Tunstall, has never been known to allow a dinner to be served without chicken in some form on the menu.

Every traveling man who comes to Weston knows about the "Chicken Hotel," as it is commonly called.

It is estimated that during the time the provisions of the will have been so faithfully adhered to, 50,000 chickens have been served at the hotel. The hotel is a small one in a small town.

RAN AWAY FROM HOME—William Williams, 17 years old, whose home is at Panama, N. Y., was arrested last night at the Grace Hotel, No. 314 Market street, when he was found at the Four Courts until his sister, Jennie Williams, arrived from Panama. Both returned home on a late train. Williams left home several days ago.

What S. S. S. Does for Children

Children are constantly exposed to all sorts of diseases. The air they breathe is filled with germs, sewer gas and dust from the filthy streets are inhaled into the lungs and taken into the blood. At the crowded school rooms and other public places they come in contact almost daily with others recovering from or in the first stages of contagious diseases. You can't quarantine against the balance of the world, and the best you can do is to keep their blood in good condition, and thus prevent or cure the disease. You have perhaps learned from observation or experience that healthy, robust children (and this means, of course, children whose blood is pure) are not nearly so liable to contract diseases peculiar to them, and when they do it is generally in a mild form. On the other hand, weak, emaciated and sickly ones seem to catch every disease that comes along. This is because their blood is lacking in all the elements necessary to sustain and build up the body. Poisons of every description accumulate in the system, because the polluted and sluggish blood is unable to perform its proper functions.

Such children need a blood purifier and tonic to give strength and vitality to their blood, and S. S. S., being a purely vegetable remedy, makes it the safest and best for the delicate constitutions of children. S. S. S. is not only a perfect blood medicine, but is pre-eminently the tonic for children; it increases their appetites and strengthens the digestion and assimilation of food. If your children have any hereditary or acquired taint in their blood, give them S. S. S. and write to our physicians for any information or advice wanted; this will cost you nothing, and will start the little weaklings on the road to recovery. Book on Blood and Skin Diseases free.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

BETA THETA PI RECEIVES NEW MEMBERS.



The fourteen active members of the "Washington's Hatchet" Society were initiated Friday night into the Beta Theta Pi chapter, re-establishing the Alpha-delta chapter at Washington University, and with Judge H. S. Priest and General John W. Noble in their shirt sleeves, to "aim the goat," the boys had a hard time. The initiation was conducted by the St. Louis Alumni Chapter and a delegation from the Zeta Phi Chapter at Missouri University. Beginning with a dinner at the Planters, the formalities were continued behind closed doors in the parlors of the West End Hotel, and the informality concluded for some of the boys with a test of the Forest Park lakes.

Soon after the founding of the Washington University the Beta Theta Pi fraternity established there the Alpha-delta chapter, which flourished for twenty years, former Governor D. R. Francis, as a student, being one of the members. But in 1878 the chapter surrendered its charter, owing to some financial difficulties. For several years the St. Louis alumni of the fraternity, who meet monthly for a dinner at the Mercantile Club, have been agitating the re-establishment of Alpha-delta Chapter. About two years ago a coterie of Washington University students, who were then in control of the college magazine, organized as the "Washington's Hatchet," a name which they were just then considering as a substitute for the former title of the magazine. The society gained strength from its inception.

Last spring two post-graduate students of Washington University, E. H. Puka and Naylor Davis, both Beta Theta Pi men, saw in this club material from which to re-establish the former chapter. They interested President Marshall P. Drury of the St. Louis alumni in the project, and through his efforts and those of William J. Wessler of the "Hatchet," the matter came to a successful issue.

The fourteen men initiated Friday are identified with the college paper, the athletic association and the co-operative book association of Washington University. Two are law students, one is president of his class, four hold scholarships, and among the others are the business managers of the athletic association, the co-operative association and the college monthly, besides members of the various athletic teams.

Among the St. Louis alumni of the Beta Theta Pi Society who participated in the initiation were Judge W. A. Given, Marshall P. Drury, Perry Post Taylor, General John W. Noble, George M. Block, H. A. Trueman, Judge H. S. Priest, Doctor H. M. Moore, Kimbrough Stone, W. O. Gatewood, W. J. Jones, W. R. Bennett, S. H. Puka, Naylor Davis, Henry T. Hill and, as a delegation from the chapter at the State University, H. J. Bain, T. H. Records, Bruce Stephens and Charles Palmer.

perintendent of the Levee Mission Sunday School, will act as assistant superintendent.

North Presbyterian Church will observe Children's Day next Sunday. In the evening there will be a large religious rally, when the Reverend Doctor A. T. Wolff will speak on "Angels and Young Men."

Oak Hill Presbyterian Church had an encouraging session at last Sunday. The church was well attended, and there were added to the church seven by profession of faith and five by letter. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Smith, was more successful in the near future. The Sunday school has an average attendance of about 125.

The Board of Landonwood College, St. Charles, held a meeting yesterday at No. 126 Locust street, and passed upon the candidates for graduation. The college will hold its commencement tomorrow.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will give a strawberry festival at No. 263 Glasgow avenue tomorrow evening.

The Reverend J. C. L. Boehm, presiding elder of the West Plains District M. E. Church, South, was a visitor at the ministers' meeting yesterday.

Other Ministerial Meetings. The Christian ministers yesterday spent most of the hour in giving a resume of the sermons preached last Sunday. Those responding were the Reverend James M. Miller, of the First Baptist Church, St. Louis; the Reverend O. A. Bartholomew and the Reverend M. W. Whittemore.

The Methodist Episcopal ministers met yesterday at Carondelet Church, accompanied by the Reverend J. H. Smith, of the St. Louis Church, and the Reverend J. H. Smith, of the St. Louis Church, and the Reverend J. H. Smith, of the St. Louis Church.

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